

## MIAMI TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORK SESSION

NOVEMBER 7, 2016

The Miami Township Board of Trustees met in work session on Monday, November 7, 2016 at the Miami Township Civic Center. Chairperson Karl Schultz called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Ferry called the roll and present were Karl Schultz, Ken Tracy and Mary Makley Wolff.

Mr. Wright advised as a result of meetings with Mr. Braun and the Imbus Family they have reached an agreement to construct a retention basin on Township property. The Imbus family will be installing a fountain, at their expense, in this retention pond as it will be wet year round. The soil from the construction of the pond will be taken by the Township and repurposed for other Township projects. The agreement also allows for the developer to maintain an existing portion of the abandoned but paved road in front of the new Urgent Care plus an additional 50 feet to allow access to the property next to it that will also develop. The road will not be dedicated to the Township and all costs and maintenance will be at the expense and responsibility of the developer. The Township will have an easement across the road for the purpose of accessing the Gateway property and maintaining the retention basin and fountain. Mr. Wright is recommending the Board approve the agreement with the Imbus family.

Mr. Tracy made a motion to approve an agreement with Imbus Enterprises Limited Partnership for a retention basin construction, maintenance and easement at St. Rt. Rt. 28 and Montclair Road, seconded by Ms. Wolff with all voting "AYE".

Chief Madsen requested the Board make a conditional offer of employment to John Gratsch for the position of full time Police Officer.

Ms. Wolff made a motion to grant conditional offer of employment to John Gratsch for the position of full time Police Officer, seconded by Mr. Tracy with all voting "AYE".

Chief Kelly requested approval to replace 28 sections of hose that were tested and had to be removed due to failing the pressure testing and age. Chief Kelly advised they are able to purchase the hoses at the 2015 prices. The total would be \$6,260.00. This will be an action item at the business meeting.

Chief Kelly requested approval to purchase a battery operated positive pressure ventilation fan. This fan would be used where there is no power supply but ventilation is needed. Chief Kelly would like to purchase the BlowHard fan through First In-Last Out Fire Equipment for a price of \$3,750.00. This will be an action item at the business meeting.

Chief Kelly advised the boiler at Station 27 was recently inspected by the State of Ohio and it did not pass inspection. It was found to have an extremely corroded and leaking union. Due to the age and overall condition of this boiler they are requesting approval to replace it rather than to attempt repairs. Chief Kelly is requesting to purchase a new boiler for a total cost of up to \$27,000.00 which includes the boiler, a 10 year parts and labor warranty and permit fees. Chief Kelly is requesting the Board approve this purchase at this meeting. Mr. Wright advised this would be paid for from the Safety fund.

Mr. Tracy made a motion to approve the purchase and installation of a new boiler for Fire Station 27 from Nelson Comfort in an amount not to exceed \$27,000.00, seconded by Ms. Wolff with all voting "AYE".

Mr. Wright, for Mr. Musselman, submitted three bids for the replacement of the existing siding on the Civic Center. The materials will be the James Hardie siding, soffit and trim boards. The quotes ranged from \$30,134.24 for labor and materials to \$118,000 for labor and materials. The Board asked why there was such a big difference in pricing and asked that Mr. Musselman get them more information regarding the breakdown of labor and materials. Mr. Wright will have Mr. Musselman get this information and present it at the business meeting.

Mr. Wright gave updates for the Service Department noting the new completion date for the Leming House project is November 21<sup>st</sup>, they are working on the No Parking signs, the Miami Meadows playground project is complete, the Miami Meadows Lake Erosion Control Project phase one is complete, the 2016 paving project is complete, they are working on cost estimates for Romar lighting project, they are working on the 2017 paving list and they are readying their equipment for winter. Ms. Wolff noted her dissatisfaction in the delay of the Leming House project.

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Mrs. Thibodeau discussed changes to their refund policy for both activity and facility registrations and increasing the holiday rental rates for the Leming House. Mrs. Thibodeau noted the processing fees for credit card refunds has increased and she would like for us to be able to recoup that cost. Also, the cleaning company that takes care of the Leming House has increased their holiday cleaning rates by \$150 dollars and this also needs to be recouped. This will be an action item at the business meeting.

Chief Kelly presented an out of Township travel request for Assistant Chief Mack, Captain Dean Miracle and Firefighter/Medic Ed Lillich to go to Rock Rapids, Iowa from November 29 through November 30. The purpose of the trip is to conduct the pre-construction meeting and review with Maintainer Custom Bodies, who is manufacturing our new rescue vehicle. The total cost for all three would be \$1,900.00 with all of them sharing a room for one night. Chief Kelly is requesting the Board approve this request today so they can get a better price on flights.

Mr. Tracy made a motion to approve the out of Township travel request for Asst. Chief Dan Mack, Capt. Dean Miracle and FF/Medic Ed Lillich to travel to Rock Rapids, Iowa from November 29<sup>th</sup> through November 30<sup>th</sup> at a total cost not to exceed \$1,900.00, seconded by Ms. Wolff with all voting “AYE”. Ms. Wolff asked Chief Kelly to remember to attach the travel form for all out of Township travel requests.

Mrs. Thibodeau presented a proposal to have less summer concerts. Mrs. Thibodeau proposes to have two events that would be similar to the BBQ, Blues and Brews, with food trucks and two to three bands, and then the Shakespeare in the Park and The Clermont Philharmonic Orchestra. Mrs. Thibodeau would like to have one of the food truck events at Miami Riverview Park and at Community Park with the Milford Miami Township Chamber doing the alcohol sales at the Community Park event and the Little Miami River Chamber doing the alcohol sales at the Miami Riverview event. This would be a total of four quality summer events. The Board stated they would like to see both food truck events at the Miami Riverview Park. The Board stated they would like to see a balance between the two chambers for the alcohol sales and felt this plan for concerts was a good idea.

Mr. Wright advised the Board will be presented with a speed limit reduction resolution at the business meeting. The streets are Lee Lavati Court and Umrit Court for which the speed will be reduced.

**Public Comment:** None

**Executive Session:** Mr. Tracy made a motion to go into Executive Session to consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance, or negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance which is necessary to protect the interests of the applicant or the possible investment or expenditure of public funds to be made in connection with the economic development project, pursuant to Section 121.22(G)(8) of the Ohio Revised Code, and to Conference with counsel related to pending or imminent litigation pursuant to Section 121.22(G)(3) of the Ohio Revised Code, seconded by Ms. Wolff with all voting “AYE”.

Mr. Tracy made a motion to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Ms. Wolff with all voting “AYE”.

With no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Eric Ferry, Fiscal Officer

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Karl Schultz, Chairperson